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United States Mint Opens Sales for 2016 American Eagle One Ounce Silver Proof Coin on September 16

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2016 coin features edge lettering to mark 30th anniversary of the coin's production

WASHINGTON-The United States Mint will begin accepting orders for the 2016 American Eagle Silver Proof Coin (product code 16EA) on September 16 at noon Eastern Time (ET).

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the United States Mint's production of the American Eagle Silver Proof Coin. Introduced in 1986, the popular coin is the collector version of the United States Mint American Eagle Silver Bullion Coin. Its obverse (heads) features Adolph A. Weinman's full-length figure of Liberty in full stride, enveloped in folds of the flag, with her right hand extended and branches of laurel and oak in her left. Its reverse (tails) features former United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver John Mercanti's heraldic eagle with shield, an olive branch in the right talon, and arrows in the left. "30th ANNIVERSARY" is incused on the coin's edge.

The American Eagle Silver Proof Coins are struck using .999 fine silver blanks. The coin bears the "W" mint mark, indicating its production at the United States Mint at West Point. Each coin is encapsulated and packaged in a satin-lined blue velvet presentation case and accompanied by a 30th anniversary Certificate of Authenticity.

The 2016 American Eagle Silver Proof Coin will be priced at \$53.95. Orders will be accepted at /catalog and at 1-800-USA-MINT (872-6468). Hearing- and speech-impaired customers with TTY equipment may order at 1-888-321-MINT. There is no household order limit, with customer demand determining the number of coins minted.

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Note: To ensure that all members of the public have fair and equal access to United States Mint products, orders placed prior to the official on-sale date and time Sept. 16, 2016, at noon ET, will not be deemed accepted by the United States Mint and will not be honored.

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